

- IV. "Second Supplementary Paper on the Calculation of the Numerical Value of Euler's Constant." By WILLIAM SHANKS, Houghton-le-Spring, Durham. Communicated by the Rev. Professor PRICE, F.R.S. Received August 29, 1867.

When $n=2000$, we have

$$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2000} \\ = 8 \cdot 17836 \ 81036 \ 10282 \ 40957 \ 76565 \ 71641 \ 69368 \ 79354 \\ 66740 \ 91251 \ 77402 \ 20409 \ 26320 \ 14205 \ 58039 \ 78429 \\ 87946 \ 27554 \ 87631 \ 13645 + \\ E = 57721 \ 56649 \ 01532 \ 86060 \ 65120 \ 90082 \ 40243 \ 10421 \ 59335 \\ 93995 \ 35988 \ 05772 \ 51046 \ 48794 \ 94723 \ 80546 \text{ (last term is } \\ \frac{B_{12}}{24 \cdot 2000^{24}}).$$

Here the 60th decimal place in the value of E is the same when n is 2000 as it is when n is 1000.

When $n=500$, we have in the value of E , 60th	}	1	53865	48677	&c.
decimal and onwards					
„ 1000, „ „ „		2	02455	61942	&c.
„ 2000, „ „ „		2	51046	48794	&c.

By subtracting the first of these three from the	}	48590	13265
second, we have			

By subtracting the second from the third, we have	48590	86852
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It is somewhat remarkable that these differences are the same to five places of decimals; and it may be observed that the value of E will probably be changed and extended very slowly indeed by employing higher values of n . The remark in the previous Supplementary Paper*, as to n being 50000 or even 100000 in order to obtain probably about 100 places of decimals in E , seems, the author now thinks, to be not well founded; and he hesitates even to conjecture what number of terms of the Harmonic Progression should be "summed" to ensure accuracy in the value of E to 100 decimals.

* Proceedings, vol. xv. p. 429.